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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. U.S. Patent No. US 2002/0010478 A1, dated January 24, 2002, issued to Menne et al.;
2. U.S. Patent No. 6,149,656, dated November 21, 2000, issued to Walz et al.;
3. U.S. Patent No. 4,178,935, dated December 18, 1979, issued to Gekhman et al.;

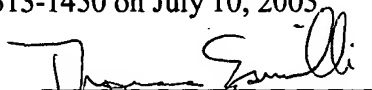
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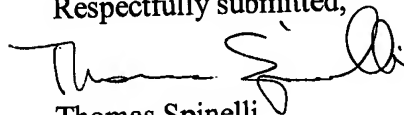

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4. Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 63-281639, published November 18, 1988 together with an English language abstract;
5. Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 2001-104321, published April 17, 2001 together with an English language abstract;
6. Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 62-144645, laid open for public inspection on June 27, 1987 together with an English language abstract;
7. Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 62-102747, laid open for public inspection on May 13, 1987 together with an English language abstract;
8. Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 62-79049, laid open for public inspection on April 11, 1987 together with an English language abstract;
9. Japanese Patent Application Laid Open No. 62-127043, laid open for public inspection on June 9, 1987 together with an English language abstract; and
10. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 57-8617, published February 17, 1982 together with an English language abstract.

Applicants are submitting copies of the above-cited references. The relevance of references 1, 8 and 10 has been described in the specification. The relevance of references 4-7 and 9 have not been described in the specification, therefore, English language abstracts are being submitted herewith.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

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